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SUBJECT: THE MILITARY SITUATION IN SOUTH VIETNAM

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SOUTH VIETNAMESE FORCES HAVE ALMOST REACHED THE FIRST OF TWO OBJECTIVES--FIREBASE B2--THEY HAVE BEEN ATTEMPTING TO RECAPTURE IN BINH DUONG PROVINCE NORTH OF SAIGON. THEY STILL FACE STIFF RESISTANCE, HOWEVER. REINFORCED BY A FRESH REGIMENT, THE COMMUNISTS HAVE KILLED OR WOUNDED MORE THAN 550 SOUTH VIETNAMESE SINCE THE DRIVE BEGAN EARLY LAST WEEK. IF THE BASE IS NOT SEIZED BY JULY 2, THE GOVERNMENT PLANS TO CHANGE ITS ATTACK PLAN BY DISCONTINUING DIRECT FRONTAL ASSAULTS. GIVEN THE RESTRICTIONS ON BOTH AIR SUPPORT AND ARTILLERY AMMUNITION, IT IS NOT CLEAR WHAT NEW TACTICS GOVERNMENT COMMANDERS MIGHT ADOPT.

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